

A full copy of the report is available at no cost upon request to the Department. To receive a copy, email julie.bisi@ct.gov or call (860) 424-5877. The report will also be available on the web at <http://ct.gov/dss>.

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

Notice of Intent to Amend Regulations

In accordance with the authority granted in Sections 4-168 and 20-633 of the Connecticut General Statutes, it is the intention of the State of Connecticut, Department of Consumer Protection to amend the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies by amending Section 20-633-1 through to 20-633-4(a), concerning administration of vaccines by pharmacists.

All interested persons who wish to express their views orally may do so at a public hearing to be held at the Department of Consumer Protection, Room 119, State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut, 06106 at 10:00 a.m. on January 10, 2012.

All interested parties who wish to submit data, views or arguments may do so in writing within thirty (30) days following the publication of this notice. Such written materials should be directed to William M. Rubenstein, Commissioner, Department of Consumer Protection, Room 103, State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut, 06106.

A copy of the proposed regulation, the Fiscal Note, and the Small Business Impact Statement applicable to the proposed regulation (as required by Public Act 09-19) are available for inspection at the address cited above, by requesting a copy of the same by telephoning the Department at 860-713-6086, or by viewing the same by clicking on the "Laws and Regulations" link on the Internet homepage of the Department: www.CT.gov/DCP.

The proposed changes are summarized as follows:

The purpose of these proposed regulations is to conform existing regulations to the changes made by Public Act 10-82 to Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 20-633.

Public Act 10-82 amended Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 20-633 to permit pharmacists to administer vaccines set forth in subsection (a) of that statute. Before the change, only influenza vaccines could be administered by pharmacists. The Public Act lists two vaccines, pneumococcal disease and herpes zoster, in addition to influenza vaccine. These proposed regulations remove references to influenza vaccines only.

These regulations conform existing regulations to the changes made by Public Act 10-82. The restrictions and conditions that must be followed by a pharmacist to administer vaccines remain unchanged.

This regulation amends existing regulations as stated above. The amended regulations do not change the enforcement actions that may be taken against a registrant or licensee for violations of these regulations.
